CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1. A method for displaying upcoming program information on a monitor display screen comprising:

providing, on a display options menu, a plurality of upcoming program information display options, at least one of the upcoming program information display options being selected by a user;

receiving the selected upcoming program information display options to specify the upcoming program information to be displayed; and displaying the upcoming program information specified by the selected display option on the monitor display screen.

- 2. The method of claim 1, wherein the display options menu has a return feature, allowing user to navigate back to preference menu, the return feature being able to be selected by a user.
- 3. The method of claim 1, wherein the display options menu has a help feature, allowing user to navigate to several dependent help categories, the help feature being able to be selected by a user.
- 4. The method of claim 1, wherein the selected upcoming program information display options are indicated by highlighting.
- 5. The method of claim 1, wherein the display options menu is displayed in a popup window on the monitor display screen.
- 6. The method of claim 1, wherein displaying the upcoming program information includes presenting a title on display, the title corresponding to an upcoming program to be shown on the same channel.

- 7. The method of claim 6, wherein displaying the selected upcoming program information further includes presenting a starting and ending time of the upcoming program.
- 8. The method of claim 1, wherein the selected upcoming program information display options are selected from the group consisting of a source option such that the user can specify a source for which the upcoming program information is desired and a time option such that the user can specify a time period for which the upcoming program information is desired.
- 9. The method of claim 1, wherein the upcoming program information is displayed for a specified amount of time, the amount of time being preprogrammed by a user, such that the upcoming program information is no longer displayed after expiration of the specified amount of time.
- 10. The method of claim 10, wherein specified amount of time is five seconds.
- 11. The method of claim 1, wherein the upcoming program information is displayed in a bottom right hand corner of the monitor display screen.
- 12. The method of claim 1, wherein the upcoming program information is displayed in a rectangular shaped box on the monitor display screen.
- 13. A machine-readable medium that provides instructions, which when executed by at least one processor, causes the at least one processor to perform a method comprising:

providing, on a display options menu, a plurality of upcoming program information display options, at least one of the upcoming program information display options being selected by a user;

receiving the selected upcoming program information display options to specify the upcoming program information to be displayed; and displaying the upcoming program information specified by the

selected display option on the monitor display screen.

- 14. The machine-readable medium of claim 14, wherein the display options menu has a return feature, allowing user to navigate back to preference menu, the return feature being able to be selected by a user.
- 15. The machine-readable medium of claim 14, wherein the display options menu has a help feature, allowing user to navigate to several dependent help categories, the help feature being able to be selected by a user.
- 16. The machine-readable medium of claim 14, wherein the selected upcoming program information display options are indicated by highlighting.
- 17. The machine-readable medium of claim 14, wherein the display options menu is displayed in a popup window on the monitor display screen.
- 18. The machine-readable medium of claim 14, wherein displaying the upcoming program information includes presenting a title on display, the title corresponding to an upcoming program to be shown on the same channel.
- 19. The machine-readable medium of claim 14, wherein displaying the selected upcoming program information display options upcoming program information further includes presenting a starting and ending time of the upcoming program.
- 20. The machine-readable medium of claim 14, wherein the selected upcoming program information display options are selected from the group consisting of a source option such that the user can specify a source for which the upcoming program information is desired and a time option such that the user can specify a time period for which the upcoming program information is desired.
- 21. The machine-readable medium of claim 14, wherein the upcoming program information is displayed for a specified amount of time, the amount of time

being preprogrammed by a user, such that the upcoming program information is no longer displayed after expiration of the specified amount of time.

- 22. The machine-readable medium of claim 23, wherein specified amount of time is five seconds.
- 23. The machine-readable medium of claim 14, wherein the upcoming program information is displayed in a bottom right hand corner of the monitor display screen.
- 24. The machine-readable medium of claim 14, wherein the upcoming program information is displayed in a rectangular shaped box on the monitor display screen.
- 25. A system for displaying upcoming program information, the system comprising:

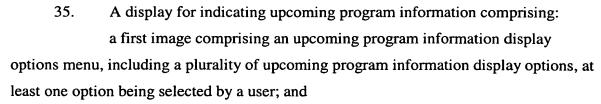
a display;

an input configured to receive user input; and

a processor coupled to the display and the input, said processor displaying a broadcast of a program, receiving upcoming program information, overlaying a display of at least one portion of the broadcast at least one portion of the upcoming program information.

- 26. The system of claim 25, wherein the at least one protion of the upcoming program information is displayed for a specified amount of time, the amount of time being preprogrammed by a user, such that the upcoming program information is no longer displayed after expiration of the specified amount of time.
- 27. The system of claim 25, wherein the at least one portion of the upcoming program information is selected from the group consisting of a source, such that the upcoming program information displayed is for a user-specified source, and a time, such that the upcoming program information displayed is for a user-specified time period.

- 28. The system of claim 25, wherein the at least one portion of the upcoming program information includes a starting and ending time of the upcoming program.
- 29. The system of claim 25, wherein the at least one portion of the upcoming program information includes a title, the title corresponding to an upcoming program to be shown on the same channel.
- 30. A method for displaying upcoming program information comprising:
 displaying a broadcast of a program;
 receive upcoming program information; and
 displaying at least one portion of the upcoming program information over
 the displayed broadcast.
- 31. The method of claim 30, wherein the at least one protion of the upcoming program information is displayed for a specified amount of time, the amount of time being preprogrammed by a user, such that the upcoming program information is no longer displayed after expiration of the specified amount of time.
- 32. The method of claim 30, wherein the at least one portion of the upcoming program information is selected from the group consisting of a source, such that the upcoming program information displayed is for a user-specified source, and a time, such that the upcoming program information displayed is for a user-specified time period.
- 33. The method of claim 30, wherein the at least one portion of the upcoming program information includes a starting and ending time of the upcoming program.
- 34. The system of claim 30, wherein the at least one portion of the upcoming program information includes a title, the title corresponding to an upcoming program to be shown on the same channel.



an input configured to receive user input; and a second image comprising the upcoming program information determined by the selected at least one option.

- 36. The display of claim 35, wherein the upcoming program information determined by the selected at least one option includes a title, the title corresponding to an upcoming program to be shown on the same channel.
- 37. The display of claim 35, wherein the upcoming program information determined by the selected at least one option further includes presenting a starting and ending time of the upcoming program.
- 38. The display of claim 35, wherein the upcoming program information display options include a source option, such that the user can specify a source for which the upcoming program information is desired, and a time option, such that the user can specify a time period for which the upcoming program information is desired.
- 39. The display of claim 35, wherein the second image is displayed for a specified amount of time, the amount of time being preprogrammed by a user, such that the upcoming program information is no longer displayed after expiration of the specified amount of time.